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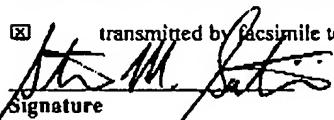
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Applicants respectfully request entry of the following Interview Summary into the record of the above-captioned patent application.

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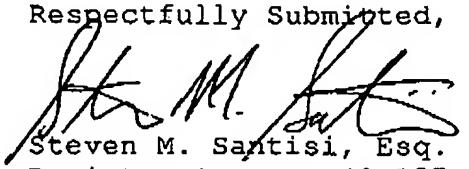
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**INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

On March 7, 2006 and March 13, 2006 a telephonic Examiner Interview was held between Examiner Mark A. Deuble and Applicants' representative Steven Santisi, Reg. No. 40,157, in regard to U.S. Patent Application No. 10/764,982. Claims 1, 3 to 5, 7, 8, 17 to 22, 24, 58 to 59, 65 to 67, 69, 75, 76, 80 to 82, 89, 107, 108, 112 to 114, 121, 165, 168 to 170, 172, 176 and 185 to 190 were discussed.

Agreement as to allowability of Claims 1, 3 to 5, 7, 8, 17 to 22, 24, 58 to 59, 65 to 67, 69, 75, 76, 80 to 82, 89, 107, 108, 112 to 114, 121, 165, 168 to 170, 172, and 176 was reached. Applicants further agreed to allow an Examiner's Amendment canceling Claims 185 to 190 without prejudice. No references nor other issues or claims were discussed.

Respectfully Submitted,



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